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Following is the translation of a letter from the Brandenburg Landesleitung
of the SED.

Sozialistische Einheitspartei
Deutschlands
Landesleitung Brandenburg

Potsdam 25 August 1950

TO: All Kreisleitungen of Land Brandenburg

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The following directives for our activities for the near future were drawn
up at the last meeting of the Politbureau:

1. In an effort to intensify the agitation of the partisans of peace in western Germany additional comrades who are well trained politically are needed to go to Western Germany for special missions. They are to be assigned directly to the command of the Volkspolizei of the Soviet Zone. Experienced former soldiers of all branches of service ranging from 24 to 35 years of age are preferred. In addition to free board they receive 400 marks per month plus extra bonuses. I request all Kreisleitungen to transmit this directive to all local groups in an effort to speed up the recruitment and make it possible for the applications to be received by this office by 1 September 1950.
2. Since the number of volunteer workers for the categories of miners, transportation workers, construction hands, and a number of others, was absolutely insufficient, it is necessary to recruit additional persons. Every effort must be made in this respect.
3. A large number of young men is required to reinforce the Volkspolizei. It is the responsibility of the leaders of local SED groups to see that as many men as possible between 18 and 50 years of age are recruited for the Volkspolizei. Wherever possible such recruits must be enlisted by the Volkspolizei labor offices. They will be integrated into the Volkspolizei at a later date.
4. Since the number of medical personnel reported available was very low,

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all persons trained or versed in medical service must be given training by the various local groups in order that they be available for service at once. Strength reports of the individual local groups must be submitted to the Kreisleitung not later than 5 September 195.

Comrades, this is the time for decision and we must make all preparations. I expect that all functionaries in Kreis and local groups will conform fully with this directive.

Landesleitung Brandenburg
Signature: Saegbrecht.

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